TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THIRD COUNCIL.

FIRST SESSION OF 1104.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

Wednesday, the 24th April, 1929/12th Medam, 1104.

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven thirty five of the Clock, the President M. E. Watts, Esquire B. A., Barrister-at-Law, presiding.

The following members were absent :—

Mr. L. A. Bishop, Mr. V. J. Oomman, Mr. L. R. Raja Raja Varma Koil Tampuran and Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman.

New Member.

Mr. V. Arunachalam Aiyar, the new member, was sworn in.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Chavara-Pattakadavu Road.

213. **MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amounts spent for the repair and maintenance of the Chavara-Pattakadavu road for the last three years (1101-1103) ; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that the said road is in a miserable condition owing to the heavy traffic between the sea-side and the Sastamcotta market ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The amounts spent for the repair and maintenance of the road for the last three years are given below :

Year.	*Amount spent on*	
	Repairs.	*Maintenance.*
1101	Rs. 713- 0-0	Rs. 635-10-5
1102	Rs. 1,034-10-0	Rs. 941-7-9
1103		Rs. 772-11-10

(*b*) The Chief Engineer reports that some portions of the road get slushy in the rains and that the Division Officer has called for a special estimate for regravelling the worst portions.

Needs of Shencotta Taluk.

214. **MR. H. B. MAHOMED ROWTHER** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any communication from the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly member for Shencotta taluk regarding the important needs of that taluk ; and

(*b*) how far these needs have been satisfied ?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The member is referred to the Statement of action taken on the representations made at the 24th Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly. A copy of the Statement is in the Council Library.

Appointments made by the Dewan Peishkars.

215. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of appointments, by caste, made by each Dewan Peishkar in his respective Division since 1100, as clerks, Provertikars, etc.?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A statement* showing the required particulars is laid on the table.

Appointment of Tahsildars since 1100.

216. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of new appointments made as Tahsildars since 1100; and

(*b*) the minimum qualifications prescribed for the post of Tahsildars and their Assistants?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Ten.

(*b*) For the Tahsildar's place, ordinarily a graduate in arts with experience as a Magistrate and with the Revenue, Account and Survey Tests qualifications.

As regards the Tahsildar's Assistant, it is not clear which officer is meant. There are no Assistant Tahsildars now.

Muslim applicants for appointments in Peishkars' Offices, from 1100 to 1104.

217. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Muslims that have applied before each Peishkar for appointments during the period from 1100 to 1104?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information required by the member is given below:—

No. of applications received by the Dewan Peishkar,	Trivandrum	...	16
Do.	Quilon	...	7
Do.	Kottayam	...	10

Disposal of cases in the Civil and Criminal Courts of the State.

218. **MR. A. G. MENON** (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that in many cases considerable delay occurs in disposing of fully heard cases in many of the civil and criminal courts of this country;

* *Vide* Appendix I—page 447 and 448.

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